

THE STREET

RENDHAM VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

JUNE / JULY 2023 - FETE EDITION

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RENDHAM CELEBRATES THE KING'S CORONATION

Rendham celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III in style. What a fantastic event and many thanks to all who helped make it such a success. The leader of the Ceilidh band sent a message stating how much they enjoyed the wet occasion and what a fantastic community spirit Rendham has. Special thanks to Jean and Albert Palmer for the use of their utilities and to Richard Stevens for the trombone fanfare and the entourage.

And, in Rendham's very first 'Bake Off' - the winners were Jojo and Sophie Jackson for their glorious crown in the sponge cake category, and Peter Turner who triumphed with his masterpiece in the 'other' category. All the cakes were of a very high standard and tasted delicious. What a talented village we are...

Paul Jackson



SAVE THE DATE ~ RENDHAM FETE, SATURDAY 1 JULY, 12:30PM - 4:00PM

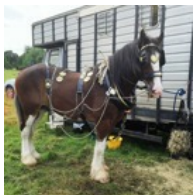
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★ RENDHAM FETE ★

★ 12:30pm - 4:00pm, SATURDAY 1st JULY 2023 ★



COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR VILLAGE FETE

This summer, save the date for an incredible afternoon of fun, food and entertainment at Rendham Village Fete. Head to the main arena to listen to the Woodbridge brass band, be wowed by the dog display, watch Punch and Judy, see the Saxmundham belly dancers, discover stilt walkers and enjoy the return of Rendham's Grand National, plus much more...

RENDHAM VILLAGE FETE GRAND DRAW - HELP NEEDED

We need people who will take a few books (or more) to sell amongst friends, work colleagues, relatives, neighbours etc. These are just £5 a book and you could win amazing prizes (see Page 3 for full details).

PLUS We need volunteers to help sell tickets and promote the fete at:
Framlingham Co-op – Tuesday 27th June from 8.45 am
Fornus Square, Saxmundham – Weds 28th June from 8.45 am
Can you offer help for either or both?

Contact: rogerbennion@btinternet.com or call 663 737. Thank you!

Please support this important annual village event which provides a vital source of income for the Church, Village Hall and Village Amenities. We are always looking for help on the day, from working on the stalls to helping pack away there's always lots to do - contact Paul Jackson (664 064) or email pauljackson133@btinternet.com to volunteer. Thank you!

DONATIONS NEEDED PLEASE

The fete is galloping up on the near side rails. What do we need?

- Unwanted presents or Jewellery for the mystery parcels stall
- Saleable items only please for the White Elephant. Please deliver to the Village Hall on the Friday prior to the fete or Paul Jackson's garage
- The Bottle Wheelbarrow will be touring the village for donations of any bottles (wine, beer, ketchup etc)
- Cakes, biscuits, savouries, jams, chutneys and more for the Cake Stall and Tea Tent
- Plus, if you would like to make a donation that would be much appreciated. Contact Jean Palmer.

And if you have time to spare on the day, the day before or the day after, we'd love to have your help. Thank you.
Paul Jackson

What's On - 2023 Stalls

- Tea Tent
- BBQ
- Crockery Smash
- Welly Throwing
- Plant Stall
- Book Stall
- Treasure Island
- Face Painting
- White Elephant
- Donkey Rides
- Tractor Rides
- Classic Cars
- Bat The Rat
- Skittles
- Bottle Stall
- Cake stall including savouries, jams and chutneys
- Beer Tent
- Local ice cream
- Pimms
- Jewellery / Mystery Parcels
- Wood Display
- Prize Draw

ALDE Community Council - The ACC exists to provide back-up for community activities in the 3 villages of Rendham, Sweffling and Bruisyard. Since the pandemic we have made donations to each village towards the Jubilee and Coronation celebrations.

The ACC holds funds for the 1st Responders, who assist in an emergency before the ambulance arrives, thus saving vital time. We do need more volunteers to come forward as we have now lost our main Responder due to health reasons.

We are planning to hold a fundraising Beetle Drive in Bruisyard Village Hall on July 8th, 7pm start for 7.30pm. Tickets £7.00 adults, £3.00 children, to include Ploughman's supper. To reserve tickets please ring 663 325.

Lynda Newson

RENDHAM FETE 2023 - 21 FABULOUS PRIZES TO BE WON

Roll up, roll up! Get your Rendham Fete Grand Draw tickets for the chance to win one of the 21 incredible prizes on offer. As always grateful thanks to our sponsors and supporters and to Clarke & Simpson for sponsoring the printing of the Draw Tickets.

Prizes include:

- Pair of Snape Concert Tickets (Britten Pears)
- Return Crossing to France Car +9 (DFDS)
- Daler Rowney 115pc Art Set with Easel
- Rendham 2-day break (May Cottage)
- 3-course Lunch / Wine for 4 (Wentworth Hotel)
- 2 nights in a Gypsy Caravan (Alde Garden)
- Purple Wheelbarrow (Ernest Doe)
- Minsmere Family Day Pass (RSPB)
- 2-course Lunch / Wine for 2 (Bell Hotel)

- Rendham Lamb Selected Cuts
- £20 Voucher (Sweffling White Horse)
- Soda Stream Terra
- £50 Shop (Tesco)
- Stained Glass Item (Sharon McMullin)
- Bottle of Adnams Champagne
- £25 Voucher (O&C Butcher)
- £15 Voucher + Chocolates (Leiston Cinema)
- £20 Voucher (Wild Meat Company)
- Pair of Tickets for Ipswich Town FC
- Cash Prizes - £100 & £30

The Draw takes place at Rendham Village Fete Tickets available from Roger Bennion (663 737).



MIXED FITNESS CLASSES - FIND OUT MORE!

I am seeking to determine whether there would be sufficient interest in a Tae Bo and circuit training mixed fitness class at Rendham Village Hall 10:00am on Monday mornings. If so, I will arrange a 'taster' class so that anyone interested can give it a try. Tao Bo is exercise involving martial arts moves to music. Circuit training is exercise at timed intervals at different work stations. The exercises are aimed at cardiovascular fitness improvement.

The cost of each class will need to cover the hire of the hall and the instructor fee and will be determined by the number of persons attending. A class of perhaps 8 people would cost about £5/£6 for the session. Suitable training attire will need to be worn. It is suitable for all ages and abilities but does require effort and commitment. People should seek medical advice if they have not performed physical exercises for a while. Anyone interested? Please register interest to d.moore003@btinternet.com With sufficient interest I can arrange a taster session in July.



SWEFFLING BYGONES DAY

We had a very successful day and the sum of £2,030.00 was raised for the Air Ambulance. Many thanks to those who helped and attended.

Sandy & Julian Rowe



CHURCH SERVICES - JUNE / JULY 2023

	JUNE 4	JUNE 11	JUNE 18	JUNE 25
RENDHAM		9:30 Matins		9:30 Eucharist
SWEFFLING	9:30 Eucharist		9:30 Matins	
	JULY 2	JULY 9	JULY 16	JULY 23
RENDHAM		9:30 Matins		9:30 Eucharist
SWEFFLING	9:30 Eucharist		9:30 Matins	

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, RENDHAM - CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

Our service on Easter Sunday 9th April was taken by Rupert Wallis with Holy Communion by extension, and the choir sang *All in the April evening* and *Come ye faithful*. There were lovely arrangements of spring flowers throughout the church. On May 6th we were all enthralled by the magnificent spectacle of the Coronation of H.M. King Charles III and Queen Camilla. To mark this historic occasion, a truly glorious assembly of flower arrangements was displayed in the Church, together with a splendid Crown and a portrait of our new King. Our heartfelt thanks to Lesley, Lynda and the team for all their hard work in creating this. The outside work necessary to stop damp entering has now been done, and the internal re-plastering will take place later in this year.

Our AGM took place on 24th April, when the churchwardens, treasurer, secretary and other members of the PCC were re-elected.

Charles Seely & Frances Hill



BELLRINGING NEWS - If you watched the coverage of the Coronation, you would have heard the 10 bells of Westminster Abbey, starting to ring a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal as the procession moved off. Every member of both procession and ringing band had to keep their place throughout with precision. A magnificent soundtrack to a visually stunning event.

The sound of bells can be regarded as the soundtrack to personal and national events in the United Kingdom. In addition to regular Sunday services, they are heard after weddings, baptismal services and funerals and to announce major national events such as royal weddings, jubilees, royal births and deaths - even, potentially, invasion.

On Monday 8 May, a group of ringers from various local towers, including Rendham and Sweffling, gathered to ring for the Coronation - a first-time ringing event for all of us.

The Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla was marked in Rendham and Sweffling by ringing everything from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Minor, and later in the week, a quarter peal of Plain Bob Doubles was rung in Sweffling.

Suzanne Stevens

SAX ARTS FEST Saturday 10th June, 11am-5pm Followed by a Ceilidh in the evening. Lots of FREE activities, including art workshops, shop window art trail, mural wall demonstration, singing, dancing, Samba band, belly dancers, ukelele band, choir, Tai Chi & Yoga workshops, composting, starter seed kits for children... The High Street will be closed for a street market with an Art and Craft market in the market hall. Food and drinks stalls too! For further information head to <https://theartstation.uk/contact-us/>

RENDHAM PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Your Parish Council acts as a central hub for all the different things we love and enjoy in our village, but it cannot know, provide or deal with any enquiries or concerns unless it is contacted by you the parishioners. Come and meet the members of your Parish Council on Wednesday 14th June at the Rendham White Horse between 7-8pm and find out more.

Vacancy for a Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Applications are invited for the post of Clerk to Rendham Parish Council.

Salary: The salary will be paid in accordance with the National Joint Council Salary Scale rates and will reflect the applicant's skills, qualifications and experience.

Hours: 2 hours per week - mostly working from home and mostly flexible (you will be required to attend all council meetings in person).

Main Duties:

- Being the Proper Officer responsible for ensuring the council is acting within current regulations
- Publishing meeting agendas and background information
- Attendance at bi-monthly evening meetings and occasional extra meetings as required
- Taking, producing and distributing minutes of the meetings
- Liaising with Stakeholders, subcontractors and other parties and official bodies to facilitate council business
- Responding to correspondence and emails. Distribution of correspondence to relevant persons
- As the RFO (Responsible Financial Officer) you will be in charge of the careful administration of the council's finances, including keeping all accounts, making regular bank reconciliations, completing VAT returns and submissions, and PAYE records
- Guiding councillors in Legislation

Role Requirements:

- Access to a computer
- Computer literacy and internet access is essential
- Comparable office management experience including, preparing agendas and minute taking, implementation of policies, the provision of advice and guidance on statutory and legislative matters, and financial administration would be preferred.
- The candidate will be given training with the Suffolk Association of Local Councils which will be funded by the parish council.

If you are interested in joining us, we would like to hear from you. Please send your CV and a covering letter to the chairman of the council David Willett at daverwillett@yahoo.com or speak to Tracy on 07968850647.



Saxmundham Library Summer Reading Challenge - Volunteers Required

- It involves a 2 hour session listening to children tell you about the books they have read for the challenge during the 6-week Summer holidays, completing registration cards, handing out rewards after each book, encouraging children with their reading and making it a fun challenge. Please complete our online volunteer application form before 16th June
www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/about/jobs-volunteering/volunteer



Rendham Village Hall Chairman's Report AGM 2023

During this period of reporting the committee has continued to review and ensure the viability of our village hall facility. The building remains in regular use for a variety of community functions and activities.

During the summer of 2022 the new heating system was installed and we have received favourable comments about its operation. A successful application was made to East Suffolk Council for a grant for this improvement and £4,400 was received from the Enabling Communities Budget. A presentation ceremony took place in the hall on 21st September whereby Councillors Lydia Freeman and Maurice Cook attended and presented the cheque for the grant. A number of Rendham residents came along to witness. The replaced heating units, originally bound for the Leiston recycling centre, were, thanks to Mr Richard Pilgrim, sold to an interested party elsewhere and raised almost £100.

During this period it had been necessary to undertake roof repairs to the storage shed in the churchyard. This involved replacing a couple of panels and a new felt roof. This work is completed. Another area in need of attention is the wall adjacent to the road outside. There is evidence of some dampness and a contractor was invited to inspect and quote for the work. This matter is still under consideration.

The rising cost of electricity prompted the committee to introduce a £10 per function heating contribution charge for charity events. The committee remains flexible in deciding on occasions to waive this. Monthly community coffee mornings began on 8th November and continued on a monthly basis throughout the winter until May 2023 and is a self-funding initiative.

The committee considered the installation of secondary glazing around the main hall. An estimated cost of installation by a contractor led to the decision that this was beyond our budget at this time. The committee further agreed that the fence alongside the car park was in a dire state of repair. Whilst this is a responsibility of the Parish Church, as the property owner, a proposal was agreed to contribute £500 towards the cost of replacement.

Denis Moore, Chairman Rendham Village Hall Management Committee



GARDEN PARTY, DENNINGTON - ALL WELCOME SATURDAY 10TH JUNE

Join us at Oaklands from 3pm. Enjoy garden games followed by a Traditional High Tea served at 5pm with a selection of delicious savoury dishes and cakes. A marquee will be available and garden games will be provided – but do bring your favourite games too! Tea, coffee and homemade soft drinks provided. If you would like to bring drinks, alcoholic or otherwise, we will provide glasses. £10 / head, £5 for under 13s, 5s and under free. Advance booking only, by June 3rd, please. (Pay on arrival.) To book, contact Janet and Simon Cox (638 242) simoncox42@btinternet.com. Oaklands bungalow ~2 miles north of Dennington on the B1116. Access through the driveway entrance to ample parking. All proceeds to the charity, Mind, and St Mary's Church.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH / VILLAGE HAPPENINGS EMAIL

If you wish to receive the Neighbourhood Watch / Village Happenings email please email Trev.salmon@btinternet.com

RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL - ALL OUR YESTERDAYS AND TODAY

Regrettably, due to extenuating circumstances, I have been unable to delve into the cavernous cobweb filled vault that houses the extensive collection of historical documents consisting of scrolls, manuscripts and files that record the minutes of the RVHMC committee meetings of bygone years. My search for tales of mystery, unsolved crimes, hauntings and illicit love affairs involving our predecessors does however go on. This is in addition to the sinister happenings of whist drives, bingo nights and cheese and wine events are all part of my research to give a flavour of life in the years gone by.

Now to the present time when on 22nd May 2023 at 7pm, the current RVHMC held its statutory AGM. By 7pm a queue had already formed outside the village hall door eagerly anticipating the packed agenda. People formed an orderly line extending into the car park. Just after 7pm the door to the hall was opened and the keen attendees scrambled into the building eager to get a good seat.

Fortunately my concern that we would not have enough chairs transpired to be unfounded. Everyone settled down and the business began. The existing holders of the posts of chairman, secretary and treasurer were duly proposed and seconded. The position of assistant chairman and assistant secretary remain vacant. Relevant reports were delivered by committee members and accepted by the excited people in attendance without challenge. My annual report is included in The Street.

At the conclusion of the business the hall emptied in an orderly manner with talk and speculation anticipating the activities of the coming year and renewed enthusiasm for the next committee meeting. If anyone would like to join the RVHMC please contact me. We hold four meetings during the year with perhaps a little involvement in doing things to maintain and improve the community building. It is also important that a wide base of experience and interest is part of any committee.

Denis Moore, Chairman Rendham Village Hall Management Committee



The Phoenix Singers Present...
Coronation. Including Mozart 'Coronation Mass', Handel 'Zadok the Priest, Parry 'I was Glad', Walton 'Crown Imperial' and other coronation music.

Framlingham College Chapel, 7pm, 8th July

Tickets £15 (under 18s free), includes refreshments after the concert, available from:

phoenixsingers.onesuffolk.net



The Great Garden Trail Is Back For 2023! A number of gardens are open until September in aid of St Elizabeth

Hospice, including whole villages and beautiful hidden gems across Suffolk. Money raised will go towards the hospice's work across East Suffolk.

www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk



ANYONE FOR TENNIS? -

SWEFFLING TENNIS CLUB - WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS - OPEN TO ALL

Last year Sweffling Tennis Club had an excellent non-slip surface laid. It is now very much a professional standard court. We would very much like to encourage new members to join this family friendly club. We have a variety of subscriptions: families, households, individuals, and juniors. For all information, please contact Sue Rusack, club secretary: SueRyderR@rusack.myzen.co.uk.

Keep your belongings safe - In the hot weather please remember to lock doors and windows when you go out. If you see anything suspicious please report it to the police and Neighbourhood Watch.

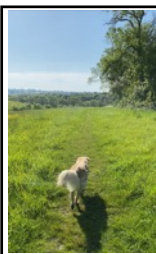
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www.framlinghamsurgery.co.uk

SAXMUNDHAM SURGERY - 602 022
www.saxmundhamhealth.nhs.uk

Discover an innovative menu, bringing you a taste of international cuisine, as well as traditional British dishes, and all made with the finest local ingredients. Dogs welcome too.

Visit rendhamwhitehorse.co.uk or call 666 527.

Kitchen Hours: Weds-Sat, 12pm-2pm / 6pm-8pm, Sun 12pm-2pm. Closed Mon & Tues



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9th June / 7th July -
Sweffling White
Horse - 9:35-9:50 +
Bruisyard VH - 10:05-10:20

**SAVE THE DATE:
RENDHAM FETE 2023
1ST JULY**

JUNE

- 1 Suffolk Show
- 1 Alde Valley Spring Festival (until 31 August), White House Farm, Gt Glemham
- 3 Pop-Up Greek Restaurant, 6pm-8pm, Rendham White Horse
- 3-4 Middleton Open Gardens, 11am-5pm (thesuffolkcoast.co.uk)
- 9-25 Aldeburgh Festival
- 10 Garden Party, 3pm, Dennington,
- 10 Sax Arts Fest, 11am - 5pm, Saxmundham High Street
- 14 Meet Your Parish Council, 7pm-8pm, Rendham White Horse
- 23 A Summer Opera Evening, 7:30pm, Thorington Theatre, Southwold
- 24 Pop-Up Spanish Tapas, 6pm-8pm, Rendham White Horse
- 24-1 Southwold Arts Festival
- 25 Sizewell Classic Vehicle Show, 11am, Sizewell Sports & Social Club
- 30 'Sense & Sensibility' 7:30pm-9:30pm, Framlingham Castle

JULY

- 1 **Rendham Fete**
- 2 Ipswich Music Day, 12pm-7pm, Christchurch Park
- 8-9 Heveningham Concours, Historic Cars & Aircraft, Heveningham Hall
- 8 The Phoenix Singers, Framlingham College, 7pm
- 8 Alde Community Council Beetle Drive, Bruisyard VH, 7pm
- 15 Pop-Up French Restaurant, 6pm-8pm, Rendham White Horse
- 30-31 Westleton Wildflower Festival & Craft Fair, 12pm-5:30pm, Westleton VH



THE FRIDAY READERS BOOK GROUP Join us on the last Friday of each month at 1.30pm (30th June, 28th July, 25th August, 29th September) at Saxmundham Library. We are currently reading *The Lamplighters* by Emma Stonex. A friendly book group, new readers are welcome at every session, just turn up. Suggested donation £1 per person per week & donations pot for refreshments.

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